...IS THE ULTIMATE DIVINE ITEM. IT CAN SHATTER EVEN THE EARTH.

MJÖLNIR...

...CAN ALSO DESTROY THE WIELDER HIMSELF.

HOWEVER, ITS IMMENSE POWER AND THE LAVA-LIKE HEAT IT GENERATES...

...WEARS JÁRNGREIPR TO PROTECT HIS HANDS.

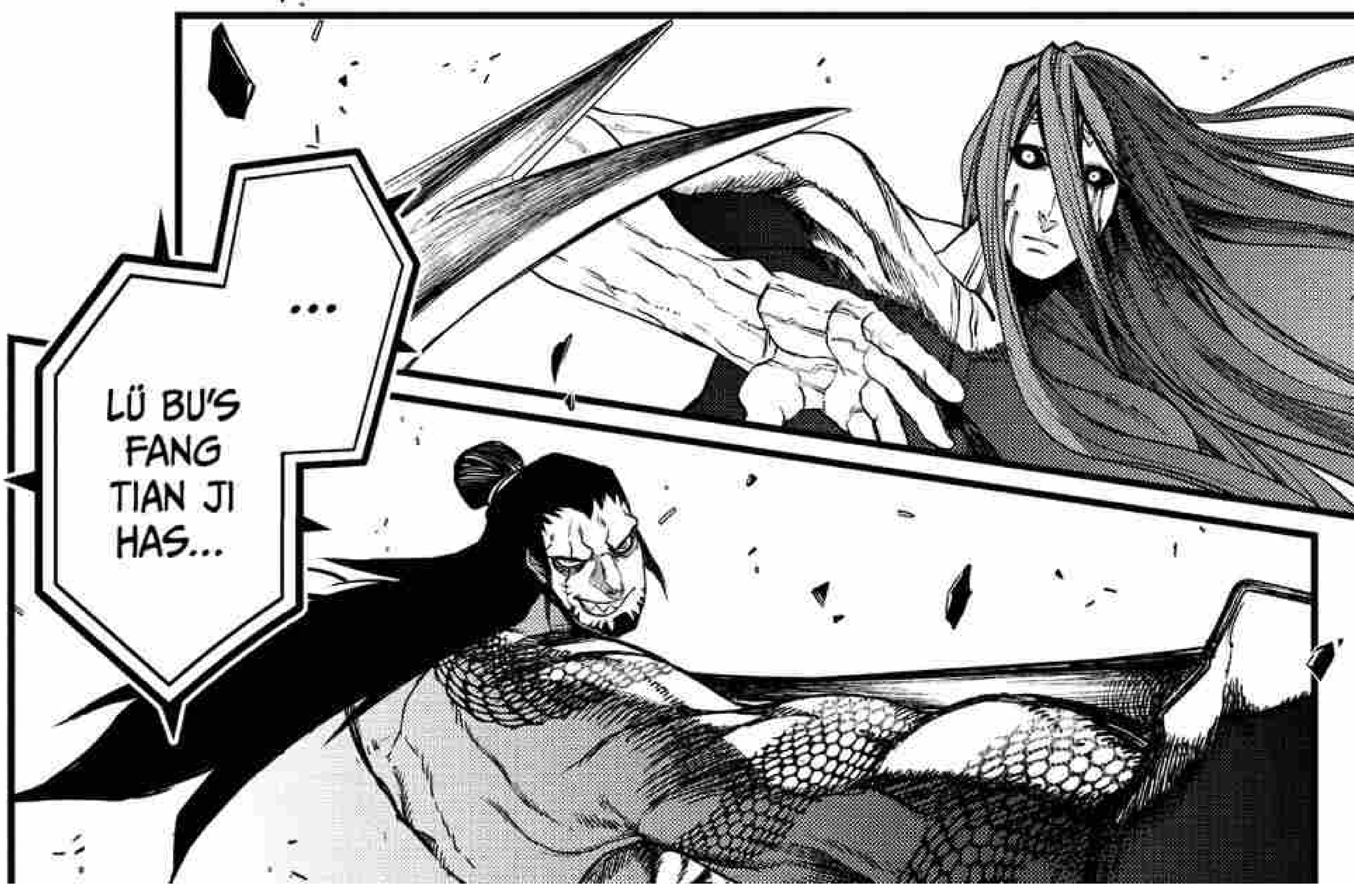
THUS, THE GOD THOR...

~FROM THE *PROSE EDDA*

KRAK

ONE MIGHT SAY THE IRON GAUNTLETS THAT CAN CONTAIN THE ULTIMATE WEAPON OF THE DIVINE REALM ARE ALSO ITS ULTIMATE PROTECTOR...

...OR THEY *WERE.*



OOOOHH

...CRUSHED JÁRNGREIPR...

...LIKE IT WAS A POTATO CHIP!

IT WAS...UNACCEPTABLE!

ALL RIGHT!

MMPH

YES!

WHMP

SMAK

BROTH-ER!

NNGH

-GAHA HA

FEELIN' NERVOUS ?!

DIDJA SEE THAT, YOU GODS?! THAT'S THE HERO OF THE THREE KINGDOMS!

...AND KNOWING WHAT IT WAS LIKE BACK THEN...

BUT HAVING LIVED IN THE SAME ERA...

DO NOT GLOAT.

OR...

...SO I'D LIKE TO SAY.

...AM BURST-ING WITH PRIDE!

WHAP

I CAN-NOT DENY THAT I TOO...

FWP

FWP

HURR

AAAH

HURRAH

DMM

DMM

DMM

MY LORD LÜ BU!

IT MAKES IT WORTH RISING TO HEAVEN WITH YOU!

...EN-JOYING YOUR-SELF!

I AM SO GLAD TO SEE YOU...

BRAVO, MY LORD! WELL DONE!

DAMN! DIDJA SEE WHAT HE DID?!

HE'S FREAKIN' STRONG!

YOU'RE MY FAVORITE THREE KINGDOMS WARRIOR!

GET 'IM!

NICE, LÜ BU! MY LORD LÜ BU!

NO...

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN RECORDED HISTORY...

...TREMBLED WITH ANTICIPATION.

ALL OF HUMANITY...

...HUMANITY MIGHT BEST THE GODS!

RAAAAAH

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ALL OF HISTORY...

THE AAAAAA

OH?

SO YOU'VE NOTICED?

I SEE WHAT'S GOING ON.

...TO BE THE BEARERS OF SOULS.

VALKYRIA

THE VALKYRIES' JOB IS...

SWE

...TO IDENTIFY THE GREATEST OF THE HUMANS AND GUIDE THEIR SOULS TO THE AFTERLIFE...

THEY DESCEND TO EARTH...

...FOR THE CRISIS THAT IS TO COME TO THE HEAVENS.

...TURNING THEM INTO DIVINE SOLDIERS IN PREPARATION...

SKIWK

...IT HAS BEEN RUMORED...

...SINCE ANCIENT TIMES...

SKIWK

BUT...

...THE HEAVENLY CRISIS.

...THAT THE VALKYRIES ARE NOT ACTUALLY PREPARING FOR...

AND SO, THEY MIGHT **TRANSFORM** THEMSELVES INTO A SUITABLE WEAPON FOR A WIELDER.

SOME SAY...

...THE VALKYRIES SYMPATHIZE WITH THE WARRIORS THEY'VE GUIDED TO THE HEAVENS.

...

...BUT ALSO THEIR EXIST-ENCE.

THEY'D SACRIFICE NOT ONLY THEIR POWERS— WHICH RIVAL THE GODS'...

...

VOLUND!

TWIST

SKWK

THAT ABILITY IS CALLED...

RATI RATI

THE VALKYRIES HAVE ASSEMBLED WARRIORS TO FIGHT THE GODS...

ZWAK

...AND GRANTED THEM POWERS WITH WHICH TO FIGHT.

THAT'S WHAT THIS RAGNAROK THING IS, ISN'T IT?

QUIVR QUIVR

RMM

SPSH

...ARE...

...RRR...

HFF HFF

KCH KCH

RMM

QUIVR QUIVR

RMM

RMM

THOSE VALKY-RIES...

YES... YES, IT IS.

...TURN AGAINST US!

IT'S... IT'S...

KCH KCH KCH

I NEVER IMAGINED THE VALKYRIES WOULD ACTUALLY...

RRMMBL

FWP FWP FWP

HUFF HUFF HUFF

...REBEL-LING AGAINST US!

WOW!

IT'S THE MOST EXCITING THING SINCE...

...THE BIG BANG!

...

BRU-RU-RU...

WWW

BRU...

BRU-RU... BRU-RU-U-RU...

B-B-B...

BRU... BRU...

SIGH...

...BRUNHILDE.

...

MY SWEET...

...YOU SADISTIC, WARMONGERING OLD PERVERT OF A GOD.

STOP STARING AT ME...

TWIN

RAAAH

BWSHHHH
BWUP BLUP

WHAT IS IT?

HMM...?

W-WHAT THE...?

BLRB
RB
BRBL
BLUB

SHWOOOOO

!

HILDE! L- LOOK...!

HMM?

SHWS

HH

THEY'RE MELTING LIKE LAVA!

YIKES

THE COBBLE-STONES!

N-NO, IT'S THE...

HUH

HMM

IS MJÖLNIR... MELTING?!

HSSHHH

BUT WHY NOW ...?!

AND JUST LIKE THE LEGEND SAYS...

IT TRULY *IS* SCORCHING HOT, JUST AS THE LEGENDS SAY!

I-INCRED-IBLE!

...THOR HAS LOST ONE OF HIS GAUNTLETS!

WILL HE STILL BE ABLE TO SWING MJÖLNIR WITH BOTH HANDS?!

HSSS

DO

OM

WAAA

...HE CAN'T USE MJÖLNIR ANY-MORE?!

D-DOES THIS MEAN...

BDMP

?

HMM...

WHAT WAS THAT SOUND?

WHA...

SWF SWF

HMM...?

BDMP

...A PULSE?!

WAS THAT...

BDMP

WHAT IN THE...?!

MJÖLNIR IS PUL-SATING!!

BDMP

STOMP...

IT'S ABOUT TIME...

...YOU WOKE UP!

BDMP

BDMP

BDMP

KR

AK

1 UNK

BDMP

BDMP

BDMP

AWAKE, HUH...?

WEIRD!

HO HO! MJÖLNIR IS FINALLY AWAKE!

SHIVR

IS THAT THING *ALIVE?!*

THAT'S SO WEIRD!

EEEK

IT'S PULSING! WHY...?! WAIT...

HOHO

THERE IS ONE MISUNDER-STANDING IN THE LEGENDS OF MJÖLNIR AND JÁRNGREIPR...

THE GAUNTLETS AREN'T MEANT TO PROTECT THOR FROM MJÖLNIR.

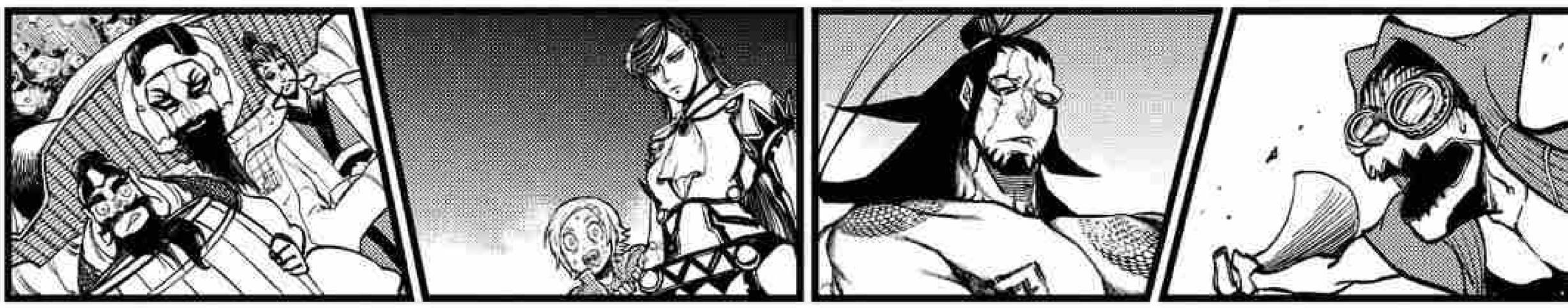
SWF

THEY EXIST...

FWIP

...TO CONTAIN THOR'S POWER.

DMP



...FROM CRUSHING MJÖLNIR BEFORE IT AWAKENS.

TO PREVENT HIM...

THOR UNWO

YANK

HSSSS

PHEW

C'MON, YOU SLEEPY-HEAD.

KRRNCH

KA

HE LIFTED IT!

HO HO HO

HUMAN...!

UN-BELIEV-ABLE ...!

KA

POK

OFF

NO...

IT'S LÜ BU, ISN'T IT?

BDMP...

I JUST HAVE...

...ONE FAVOR TO ASK.

BDMP...

WRAK

DON'T DIE TOO QUICKLY.

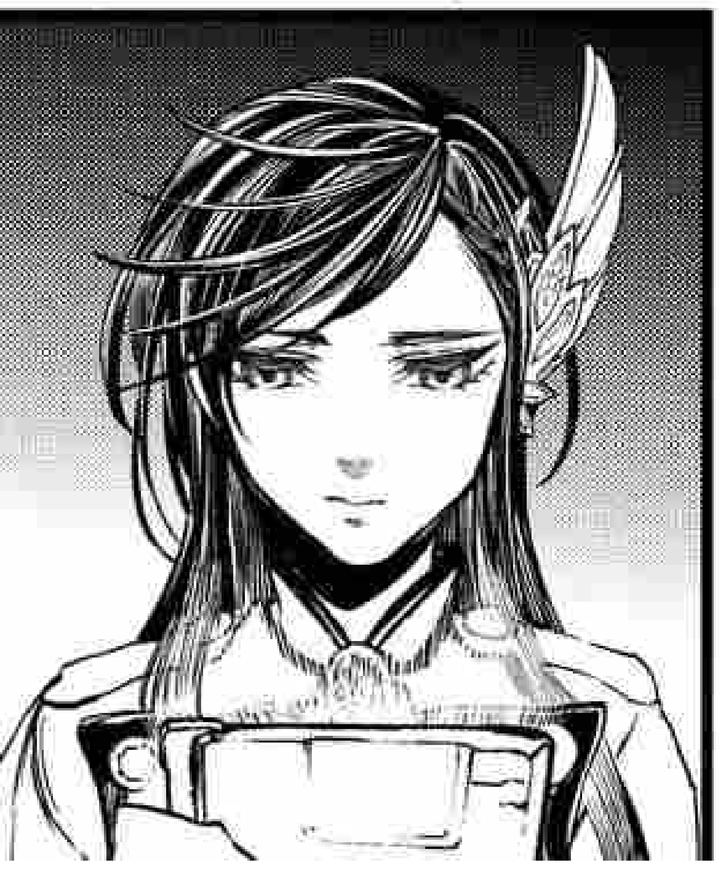
PRIMAL

THIS FIGHT HAS ENTERED UNCHARTED TERRITORY EVEN FOR THE GODS!

THE HUMAN... LÜ BU HAS FINALLY GOT THOR TO TAKE THE GLOVES OFF!

WHAT WILL WE SEE NEXT?!

RAAAAH



HEE
HAA
HEE
HAA
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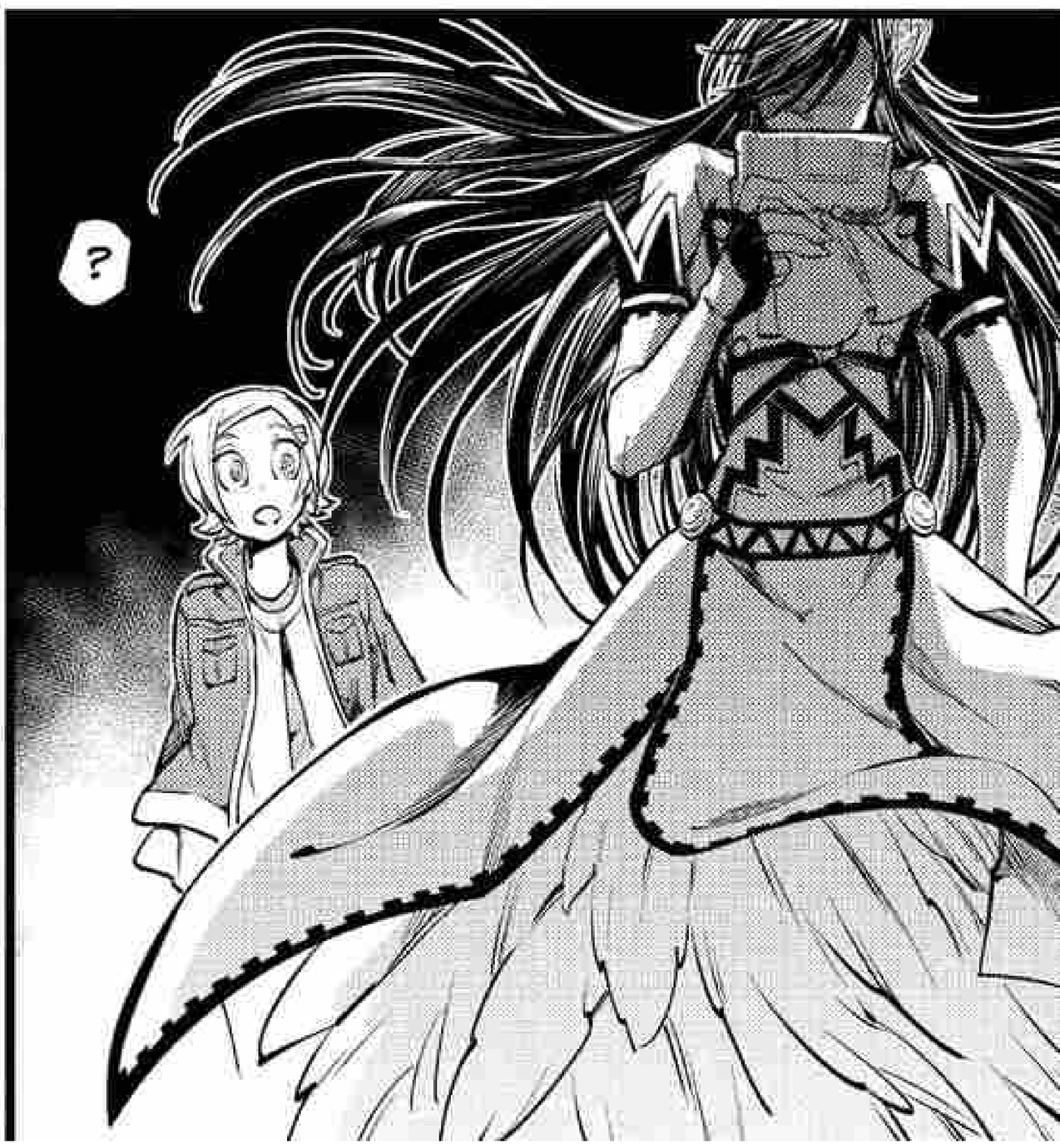
...
SIS
...?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THE FINAL LINEUP FOR RAGNAROK!

SHFF

HERE IT IS...

HEH

WAIT...

S-SO...

RR

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BL

SHIVR

...THE FATE OF HUMANITY?!

THESE ARE THE 26 WHO WILL DECIDE...

RR

...ON THE COUNTDOWN CLOCK TO HUMAN EXTINCTION?!

MM

MM

THOSE 13 HUMANS ARE THE FINAL TICKS...

GODS

ZEUS
BUDDHA
LOKI
APOLLO
POSEIDON
SUSANOO-NO-MIKOTO
HERACLES
THOR
BISHAMON
ANUBIS
ODIN
BEELZEBUB
SHIVA

HUMANITY

QIN SHI HUANG
KING LEONIDAS
NIKOLA TESLA
KOJIRO SASAKI
JACK THE RIPPER
ADAM
RAIDEN TAMEEMON
SOJI OKITA
GRIGORI RASPUTIN
NOSTRADAMUS
LÜ BU
SIMO HÄYHÄ
KINTOKI SAKATA

ONE DAY...

...OUR WARRIORS WILL BE RENOWNED AS...

THE FINAL 13...?

HEH HEH ...

NO, GEIR.

THE EINHER-JAR...

THE GOD-KILLERS!

THE 13 MIGHTIEST GODS OF THE HEAVENS AND THE 13 GOD KILLERS...

RAGNAROK

...WILL FACE OFF HERE!

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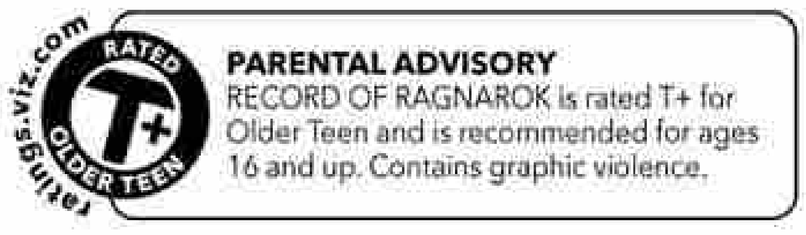
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